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EPISODE I
THE SAGA BEGINS



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STAR WARS

EPISODE I

Many years before Luke Skywalker duels Darth Vader, the greedy Trade Federation tries to take over the planet Naboo. On Tatooine, a brave boy named Anakin Skywalker helps the Jedi save Queen Amidala and her planet. Race along with Anakin as he takes part in an action-packed Podrace. Then join the Jedi in a showdown with the dangerous Darth Maul.

THE SAGA BEGINS



ANAKIN SKYWALKER

Anakin Skywalker is a nine-year-old slave on the desert planet of Tatooine. Anakin first meets Qui-Gon Jinn when Queen Amidala's spacecraft lands for repairs on Tatooine. He becomes fast friends with R2-D2, Padmé and Jar Jar Binks. Anakin possesses a maturity beyond his years, and is always eager to help those in need.

Though he appears to be a normal boy, Anakin is very special and gifted. He is very strong with the Force, but does not yet know his potential. Owned by a junk dealer, Anakin is never far from a set of tools, and has secretly built a custom Podracer. With his natural reflexes and an eye for excitement, Anakin is the only human in Mos Espa capable of flying a Podracer. In this combination of caring boy and untapped talent, lie possibilities that stretch far beyond the limits of slavery.



QUI-GON JINN

Qui-Gon Jinn is a noble, wise, and powerful Jedi Master. He refuses to let anything, even if it often leads him to follow his own path. Qui-Gon shares his knowledge with his headstrong apprentice, Obi-Wan Kenobi. The two Jedi are sent to free Naboo from the clutches of the evil Trade Federation.



OBI-WAN KENOBI

Obi-Wan Kenobi is the apprentice of Jedi Master Qui-Gon Jinn. Together the two Jedi are a powerful force to be reckoned with. Obi-Wan greatly admires Qui-Gon, but is often frustrated with the decisions he makes, including Qui-Gon's tendency to take other lifeforms under his wing. Obi-Wan has almost completed his training, and shows the makings of a great Jedi Knight.

PADMÉ NABERRIE

Padmé serves Queen Amidala as one of her trusted handmaidens. Padmé loyally tends to the queen and serves at her side. After landing on Tatooine, Padmé accompanies Qui-Gon Jinn to Mos Espa in search of a part for their stranded ship. In Mos Espa, she meets Anakin Skywalker and comes to care for the boy over the course of their adventures. Strong-willed and determined, Padmé is a key figure in the quest to save Naboo.



JAR JAR BINKS

Jar Jar is from a group of amphibious beings called Gungans that live in the vast underwater city on Otoh Gunga. However, Jar Jar has been banished from his home. Jar Jar is kind and helpful, but also very clumsy. He often stumbles into danger, but sometimes this works to his advantage. Jar Jar's honesty and knowledge of his homeworld come in handy when he is saved by Qui-Gon Jinn during the Trade Federation invasion of Naboo.



DARTH MAUL

Darth Maul is a Sith Lord and the loyal apprentice of Darth Sidious. Filled with the evil of the dark side, and armed with a double-bladed lightsaber, Darth Maul can duel two opponents at one time. With horns, tattoos, and yellow eyes, Darth Maul presents a terrifying appearance. In a spectacular showdown, lightsabers clash as Darth Maul battles Qui-Gon Jinn and Obi-Wan Kenobi.

Mount R2-D2 in the droid station.



Cockpit opens and closes.

7141 NABOO FIGHTER

High above the planet Naboo, the sleek Naboo fighter sets out in an attempt to destroy the Trade Federation's droid control ship. Help Anakin and R2-D2 as they battle against nearly impossible odds.

Sub activated! Two 2-track, wheeled, underwater vehicles.



Three lockable droid and droid.

GUNGAN SUB 7161

Jar Jar Binks guides Qui-Gon Jinn and Obi-Wan Kenobi through the underwater world on Naboo. For their journey to the city of Theed, they borrow a Gungan sub. Will Jar Jar and the Jedi become a snack for a sea creature, or will the sub's spinning propeller speed them out of danger?

Look out for Jar Jar Binks on Star.



7121 NABOO SWAMP

The Naboo swamps are filled with strange creatures, including Jar Jar Binks. Will Jar Jar lead Qui-Gon safely out of the slimy swamp?

7101



LIGHT SABER DUEL

Racing in on his Sith speeder, Darth Maul confronts Jedi Master Qui-Gon Jinn. The battle between good and evil begins. Has Qui-Gon met his match?

7111 DROID FIGHTER

To defend their control ship, Trade Federation droid fighters engage Naboo fighters in blazing dogfights. The wings on the droid fighter quickly change from cruising position to attack mode.



WITH ITS WINGS OPEN AND A TURN OF ITS HEAD, A DROID FIGHTER CHANGES INTO A WALKING DROID.

7131 ANAKIN'S PODRACER

7131

Anakin Skywalker loves to build, and he makes his own Podracer. It takes quick reflexes and strong nerves to pilot a Podracer.

With your help, can Anakin Skywalker win the race of his life?

Check out the #7171 Mos Espa Podrace on page 8!

PODRACER QUICKLY TURN THE PODRACER.

ANAKIN'S HIT DROID IS A WHILE AT PODRACER REPAIRS.

SITH INFILTRATOR

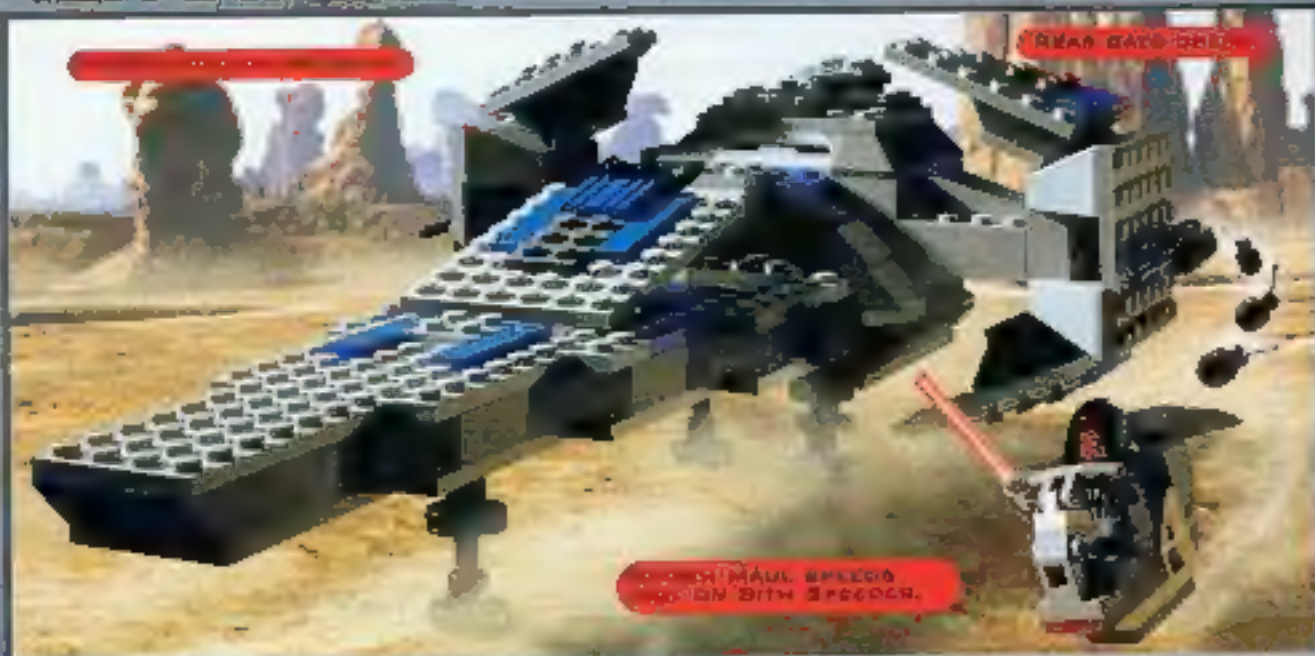
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This stealth ship carries the mysterious and sinister Sith Lord, Darth Maul. Open the rear hatch and out flies Darth Maul on his Sith speeder.

The sneaky infiltrator can drop 3 Sith probe droids for super spying. Darth Maul stores his lightsaber in the front of the ship.



BACK VIEW



top secret info - club members only



As the best LEGO[®] racer in the universe, Rocket Racer is getting bored. He's so much faster than any other LEGO race car driver that he's decided to enlist the help of Veronica Voltage to help him put together the ultimate LEGO driving challenge: LEGO Racers! Build your own custom LEGO car and driver, then race on 12 tracks based on popular LEGO SYSTEM play themes, such as Space, Castle, Pirates and Adventurers! Will you be fast enough to beat Rocket Racer at his own game?

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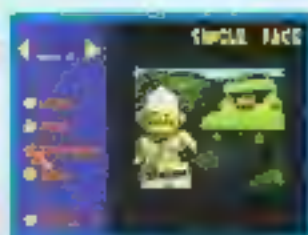
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Next Month:

A behind-the-scenes look at how to build the fastest race car in LEGO Racers....



Choose car, driver and race track...



...then hit the starting line with up to five other racers, including Captain Redbeard and Johnny Thunder.



Run over colored power-ups for awesome racing upgrades. Grab green for speed, nab blue for powerful shields!

Note: The PC CD-ROM version of LEGO Racers will require a 3D accelerator card.

upcoming releases



LEGO LAND

Design, build and manage your very own LEGOLAND theme park! Here's a brand-new screen shot from the game, showing the Holland Miniland. Can you spot the ride based on the LEGO SYSTEM Adventurers theme?

Coming Fall '99!



If you're a fan of LEGO Chess, we've got good news for you. Head over to the LEGO Chess portion of the LEGO Media web site:

<http://www.legomedia.com/help/helpchess.asp>

This portion of the LEGO Media web site includes an upgrade for LEGO Chess that you download - for free! If you ever have questions about LEGO Media software, head over to

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and simply select the game you have questions about.

biker bob's game tips



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Remember to include your name,
address, age and model name.
Pictures will not be returned, so
take an extra photo for yourself!

Solar Flyer

Adam Krafft, age 9 of
Wisconsin

Hovercraft & Lift

Steven O'Hara, age 8 of
Pennsylvania

LEGO Bud

Eric Hibler, age 12 of
California

Insectoid Mantis Bot

Patrick Chopson, age 12 of
Indiana

LEGO-Head

Philip Eudy of
North Carolina

Bridge

Teddy Anzalone,
age 14 of
Massachusetts

I Built My World!
Taylor McGaha, age 5 of
Georgia



Movie Theater
Mark and Tom
Nierodzinski,
age 15 of
New York



Raceway Adventure
Kion Roberts, age 11
of New York



Elephant
Nathaniel Atwater,
of New York



Summer Olympics
Peter, age 16 and
Alison Mehravari,
age 10 of New York



Adventurers
Scott Cody of
Hawaii



Chainsaw
Nathan Bennett, age 7
of Texas

**Skateboarding
M&M Man**
Karen Jackson, age
13 of California



oops! In our January/February
Contest we misspelled sextant! Sorry

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CONTEST WINNERS
Levi Davis, Wyoming
Christina Mont, New Jersey
Paul Igler, Wisconsin
Bobby Johnson, Minnesota
Charity Johnson, Minnesota
Valerya Koyshova, Ohio
Dwayne Luquetta, Texas
Ian Nadeau, Maine
Brend Stepansky, New Jersey
Samuel Thompson, Florida

#7171 MOS ESPA

Jake Lloyd (also known as young Anakin Skywalker)
Age 10 in California

The universe's top Podracer reviews the 7171 Mos Espa Podrace. "I love the Podracers. They're the best," says Jake Lloyd, who plays Anakin Skywalker in *Star Wars: Episode I*. "Anakin's Podracer looks just like it should. And the chainsaws on Sabuiba's Podracer are awesome." Jake copies the action in the Podrace from the movie and also makes up new adventures. "Sometimes the action is the same, but sometimes my races go completely off the wall."

Jake/Anakin likes seeing himself as a LEGO mini figure. Although Jake is more familiar with Anakin's yellow Podracer, he likes to fly the other two Podracers. He just puts his mini-character self in the other Podracers and takes off. "I always race as Jake, not Anakin. I'm a better Podracer than Anakin is!"

Pit droids rapidly repair wrecked Podracers.

Gazone's Podracer.

Engine and brake flaps adjust.

Anakin's Podracer.

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PODRACE

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EDITION
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Sabulba's
Podracer.

Saw blades cut out any dirty
tricks by other pilots.



the Adventures of the LEGO Maniac

THE LEGO MANIAC IS SO EXCITED ABOUT THE NEW STAR WARS MOVIE THAT HE EVEN DREAMS ABOUT IT!

ZZZZ! LOOK OUT FOR THE PHANTOM MENACE! ZZZZ!

ON THE PLANET TATOINE, JEDI KNIGHTS OBI-WAN KENOBI AND QUI-GON JINN EVADE TRADE FEDERATION FORCES. THEY ARE CAUGHT IN A BLINDING SANDSTORM.

QUI-GON, I CAN'T SEE A THING. WE'RE LOST.

YOU MUST SEE WITH THE FORCE, OBI-WAN.

OBI-WAN, DRAW YOUR LIGHTSABER. I SENSE A LIFEFORM APPROACHING.

I'M READY, QUI-GON!

THE FORCE IS STRONG WITH THIS BOY.

LIGHTSABERS! COOL! YOU MUST BE JEDI KNIGHTS.

I'M ANAKIN SKYWALKER. FOLLOW ME.

YOU MEAN YOU SIT IN THIS COCKPIT AND GET PULLED BY TWO HUGE ENGINES?

ANAKIN LEADS THE JEDI OUT OF THE STORM AND INTRODUCES THEM TO HIS FRIEND THE LEGO MANIAC.

WE GOTTA BUILD LIKE CRAZY TO GET OUR RACERS READY FOR THE PODRACE.

WE WILL WATCH YOU RACE, YOUNG FRIENDS.

YOU NEED QUICK REFLEXES FOR PODRACING.

IN THE PITS, BEFORE THE PODRACE, PIT DROIDS ARE HARD AT WORK. SEBULBA, THE BEST AND MEANEST PODRACER CONFRONTS ANAKIN.

I WILL NOT ONLY DEFEAT YOU HUMANS, I WILL DESTROY YOU!

DON'T BET ON IT, SEBULBA.

GASGANO, ANOTHER PODRACER, TRIPS OVER HIS PIT DROID. HE HITS THE PIT DROID ON THE NOSE AND THE DROID FOLDS UP!

HEY, YOU BUCKET OF BOLTS. WATCH WHERE YOU'RE GOING!

WHAACK!

THE PIT DROID UNFOLDS ITSELF AND PUTS GASGANO'S BRAKE FLAP ON BACKWARDS.

CLICK

JUST AS THE PODRACE IS ABOUT TO BEGIN A MYSTERIOUS SITH INFILTRATOR LANDS. THE EVIL DARTH MALL PLEGS OUT ON HIS SITH SPEEDER.

THE FOUR PODRACERS LINE UP ON THE DANGEROUS COURSE, AND THE RACE BEGINS!

HAY THE BEST PODRACER WIN AND THAT IS ME!

I DON'T SEE THAT HAPPENING TODAY, SEBULBA!

DARTH MALL IS HERE. I CAN FEEL THE DARK SIDE.

IN HIS SPEEDY GREEN PODRACER, GASSANO SHOOTS INTO THE LEAD.

MA, TOO BAD,
HUMANS, THE RACE
IS MINE!

BUT AS GASSANO BRAKES FOR A
HARD TURN, HE FINDS OUT THE
HARD WAY THAT HE SHOULD BE
NICE TO PIT DRODS!

CRUNCH!

MY BRAKE DOES
NOT WORK.
AAAAHH!

ANAKIN SKYWALKER NOW HAS THE LEAD. BUT CAN
HE HOLD IT?

SEBUKA CATCHES UP TO THE MANAC'S PODRACER. USING HIS
RACER'S SAW BLADE, HE CUTS THE MANAC'S CONTROL CABLE.

ONE HUMAN DOWN,
AND ONE TO GO.

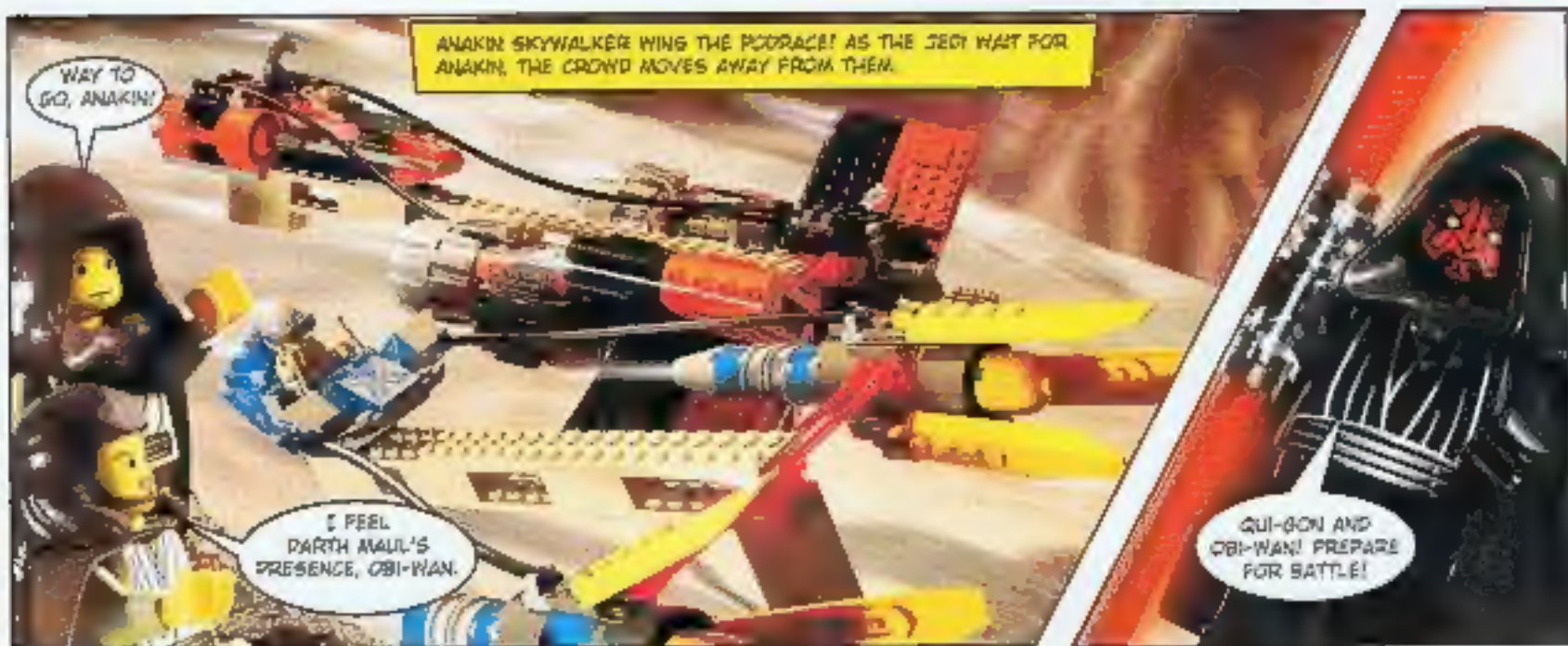
I MIGHT BE DOWN,
BUT I'M NOT OUT YET,
SEBUKA.

SEICE

AS SEBUKA TRIES TO KNOCK ANAKIN FROM THE RACE, THE MANAC
BLOWS DOWN SEBUKA'S PODRACER.

I'LL CARBONIZE
YOU HUMAN!

FRAID NOT,
SEBUKA. THIS
RACE IS GOING TO
BE WON FAIR AND
SQUARE!



YOU CAN BUILD THIS..

REBEL RIDER



Club Member, Brian Gibbs, of Pennsylvania, inspired our model designers to build the Rebel Rider.

You'll really be movin' with these two **TECHNIC** sets! Combine the road hugging turns of the Sonic Cycle with the piston poppin' action of the Road Rebel to make an excellent Rebel Rider!

step 1

step 2

step 3

step 4

step 5

step 6

The Pistons Really Work!

Use pieces from your own LEGO collection or you can find all the pieces you need to build the Rebel Rider in #8247 Road Rebel and #8251 Sonic Cycle.



AND
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Rocket Blaster

Club Member,
Christopher
Christensen, of
Washington,
inspired our model
designers to build
the Rocket Blaster.

Your original model could be featured in LEGO
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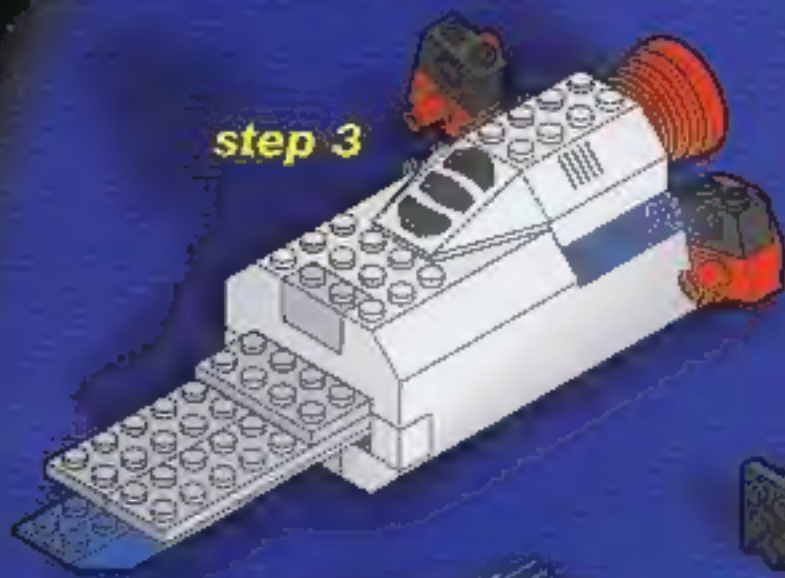
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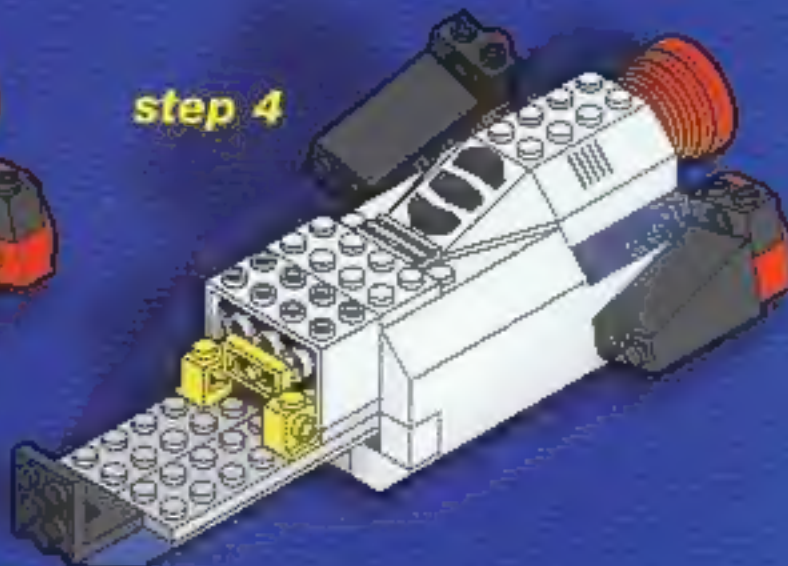
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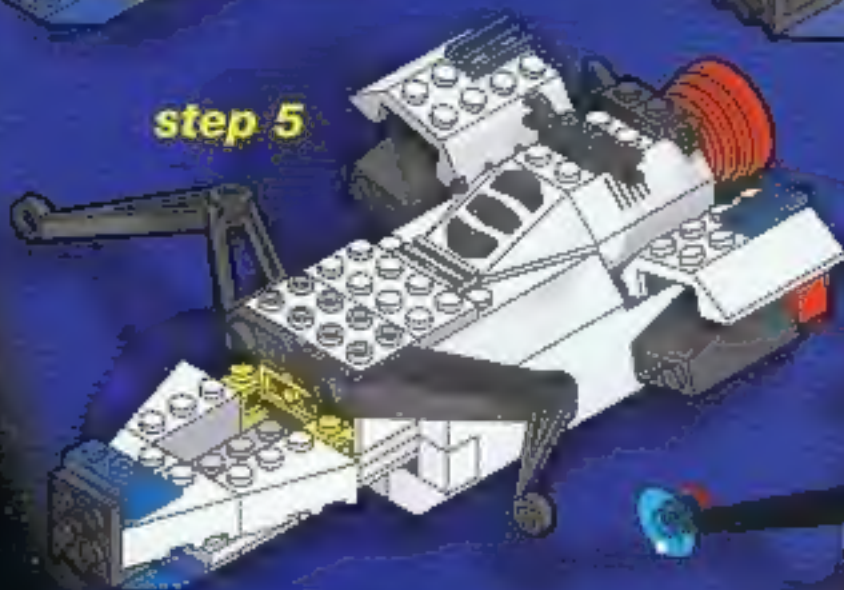
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step 4



step 5



step 6



Use pieces from
your own LEGO
collection or you
can find all the
pieces you need
to build the
Rocket Blaster in
#6454 Countdown
Corner.

City Center CHAOS Contest

There's chaos in City Center. In their hurry to get to the new *Star Wars* movie, people are doing strange things. Just for fun, circle all the funny things going on in this picture. Can you find the LEGO Maniac? Once you spot him, send in your Contest Entry Form. You could win the LEGO set of your choice!



CAN YOU FIND ME?

The first 10 randomly selected entries with the correct answers will win the LEGO set of their choice (up to a \$100 value).

HOW TO ENTER:

Just fill in the contest entry form. Cut it out and mail it on July 10, 1999 to:

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City Center Chaos Entry Form

I found the Maniac in _____

Date of birth _____

Month

Day

Year of Birth

Please check your name and address. Make corrections if necessary.

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- Check out the new *Star Wars* Episode I section at www.LEGO.com/mania. You'll find a Galaxy Guide with planet descriptions and where each LEGO *Star Wars* set belongs. Visit the interactive Hanger section where you can get a closer at the models.
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